



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. KBB 2004 - 10

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON SAFE AND DRUG-FREE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, the use of illicit drugs and firearms remains a serious and intractable problem in our society;

WHEREAS, the United States of America has the highest rate of teenage drug use of any industrialized nation;

WHEREAS, the tragic consequences of drug use and alcohol abuse by students are felt not only by students and their families, but also by their communities and the nation;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress finds that one of the National Education Goals is to provide that every school in the United States of America will be free of drugs, violence, and the unauthorized presence of firearms and alcohol, and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress passed the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as generally amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, which provides state funding in order to mobilize schools and local organizations in communities throughout the nation in a coordinated program of prevention, to bring closer the goal of a drug-free generation, and a drug-free society; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the state of Louisiana to continue the coordinated effort of compliance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as generally amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, through the continuance of the Governor's Advisory Council on Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities;

NOW THEREFORE I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

- SECTION 1:** The Governor's Advisory Council on Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities (hereafter "Council") is hereby reestablished and recreated within the executive department, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools, Office of the Governor.
- SECTION 2:** The duties of the Council shall include, but are not limited to, the following:
- A. Assisting in setting priorities for the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act program for the state of Louisiana;
 - B. Contributing to the design of, and requests for, proposals and/or grants;
 - C. Reviewing and making recommendations on proposals and/or grants; and
 - D. Recommending dispositions on contracts in the case of non-complying agencies.

- SECTION 3:** The Council shall be composed of thirteen (13) at-large members, who shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the governor. The governor shall appoint the chair of the Council, all other officers, if any, shall be selected from the membership of the Council.
- SECTION 4:**
- A. Council members shall not receive additional compensation or a per diem from the Office of the Governor for serving on the Council.
 - B. Council members who are employees or elected public officials of the state of Louisiana or a political subdivision thereof may seek reimbursement of travel expenses, in accordance with PPM 49, from their employing and/or elected department, agency and/or office.
 - C. Council members who are also members of the Louisiana Legislature may seek a per diem from the Louisiana State Senate or House of Representatives, as appropriate, for their attendance.
- SECTION 5:** Support staff, facilities, and resources for the Council shall be provided by the Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, Office of the Governor.
- SECTION 6:** All departments, commissions, boards, offices, entities, agencies, and officers of the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Council in implementing the provisions of this Order.
- SECTION 7:** This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 4th day of June, 2004.

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR**

SECRETARY OF STATE